URGE SUPPORT

Zemstvo Congress Ends Four-Days Debate in Passing Strong Resolution.

WILL SUPPORT GOVERNMENT

Congress Relies On Promises of Pacification and Promulgation of Universal Suffrage.

(By Associated Press.) MOSCOW, November 22 .- At the end of four days' debate, the executive committee of Zemstvo Congress brought in the following resolution in favor of supporting the government, the reading of which was greeted with tremendous ap-

"Considering that the imperial manifesto satisfies all the demands voiced since the Zemstvo Congress of a year ago, and that the liberties accorded by the manifesto are indispensable to the gress declares itself in complete solidarity with this constitutional basis. The responsibility for the realization of the programme rests upon the cabinet. The congress is convinced that the cabinet can count on the support of the great majority of the Zemstvos and municipal-ties so long as it follows the path for the accomplishment of the liberties promised by the manifesto, but every deviation will encounter decisive opposition.

"The congress believes that the sole "The congress believes that the sole means of guaranteeing the authority of the government, the pacification of the country and the support of the people's representatives, are the immediate promulgation of universal suffrage in elections to the Douma, the transformation of the first Douma into a constituent assembly for the elaboration, with the approbation of the Emperor, of a constitution for the Russian empire, and the organization of territorial reform. the organization of territorial reform.
"Measures for the realization of the libertles granted by the manifesto are regarded as immediately imperative."

Peasants Threatening.

(By Associated Press.)

MOSCOW. Nov. 22.—The excitement among the peasants in the central and southeastern provinces is spreading rapidly and it is feared that it will be impossible to suppress the movement which promises to develop into a general uprising, bringing devastation and untold horror to the whole country. The revolutionists among the peasants are industriously spreading the story that the imperial reform manifesto really decreed a division of the lands but that the nobles intelligencia and Jews distorted it and took all the freedom for themselves and the peasants therefore have the right to possess themselves of the lands which the emperor granted them.

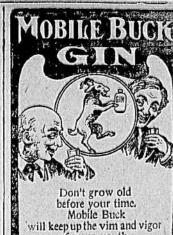
Payments to Cease

Casualties at Port Arthur.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Colonel John
Van R. Hoff, medical department, U. S.
A., who has recently returned from the
Russian army, in Manchuria, with which
he went through part of the campaign in
the war against Japan, has been authorized by the chief of staff to give out excernis of his official report.

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According to Colonel Hoff, the number of killed and dead of wounds was 37,642 men and the number of men dead from disease 18,839. These statistics are exclusive of the control of the colonel state of the colo se 18,839. These statistics are exclu-of casualties at Port Arthur and



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MERIWETHER'S DEFENCE

struction in them Captain Colvocoresses

intervals and they receive regular instruction in them Captain Colvocoresses said that he would under no circumstances pass over fighting and would punish severely every case brought to his attention.

Dr. Robert E. Hoyt, who is the head of the physical department of the Academy, gave some very interesting evidence from the records of his department bearing on the relative age, height, weight and strength of the two participants in the fight. Meriweter at the time of the fight was 19 years and ten months old, seven months older than Branch though the latter was a class ahead of him.

Meriwether weighed 159 pounds and Branch 143 and the former was five feet six and three-eights inches. A remarkable fate was that Meriwether was eight inches tailer than Branch when they were in a sitting posture. This indicates his remarkable length of body and comparatively short legs, although he is a greater chest and bicep measure and his total strength tests reached 83 kilometers and Meriwether only 693. Branch was trained as a boxer, wrestler and general gymnasium athlete, while Meriwether is a sprinter and has had large experience as a fight fighter.

The "Unwritten Code."

Payments to Cease.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The state department to-day received a cablegram from Mr. Eddy, the charge d'affaires of the American embassy at St. Petersburg, bringing this information. "The imperial proclamation to-day states that during the year 1998 the payments on land granted to peasants will be diminished by one-half, and will cease entirely Jan. 1, 1907, the peasants who have not taken up land, the emperor will afford increased facilities to his peasants bank to advance them money so that they may profit by the new arrangement."

Casualties at Port Act. trick testified that he had taken part in

severe injuries resulted from these fights and the recipients often had to be taken to the hospital, nothing further was ever heard of them. This the defense brought out on cross-examination, it being evidently intended to show that the authorities also winked at the code and the prearranged fights under it.

Gly Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, November 22.—The Central Conference of American Rabbis has through its president, Rev. Joseph Stolz of this city, issued an appeal to the Jews murdered in Russia. The appeal urges that each rabbi requires this people to close their places of business at 4 P. M. on December 4th, and meet in their houses of worship at 8 P. M. for prayer and as an expression of sympathy with their afflicted brethren in the East.

been generally disliked, he said, because he was compet him to leave the acklemon. That is, it was explained, that he did not care if they did; that he was not going to be used badly by any one. The affair closed with Mertwether and they was not going to be used badly by any own calls and turn a meademy walk; that he should turn all corners at right angles; should not look at an upper classman, and should do, and was told that a fight was necessary. After wards Branch had told him that he had not reported Meriwether. An upper class man, Noyes, had spoken during a meal, and under no circumstances "fuss," that is, to be in the society of young women. These rules and to do so, many others are contained in that part! Ralph Yeager, a class-mate of Meri-

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(By Associated Press.)

ANNAPOLIS, MD., November 22—The court-martial, assembled by order of the Secretary of the Nivy for the trial of Midshipman Minor Meriwether on the charges growing out of a fist fight, in which he engaged with Midshipman James R. Branch, Jr., and in which the latter received fatal injuries, began at the Naval Academy to-day.

A notable incident which occurred just at the bayal Academy to-day.

A notable incident which occurred just at the beginning of the trial was the objection made by counsel for the defense to Commander Sidney A. Skunter as a member of the court, on the ground that he had expressed the opinion that Meriwether should be dismissed from the academy, and the sustaining of the objection on the part of the court.

A surprise developed in the fact that United States District Attorney John C. Rose, of Baltimore, would assist Cantain Marix, Judge-advocate, in the prorecution. Mr. Rose was assigned to the work by the Department of Justice, at the request of the Navy Department, and were present at the belander of the

work by the Department of Justice, at the request of the Navy Department, and was present at the beginning of the session to-day.

The accused is defended by Lieutenant-Commander James K. Robinson, United States navy, and James M. Munroe, of the Annapolis bar.

The first two witnesses called were, Midshipmen James P. Van Decarr and Earl W. Pritchard, classmates of Branch, and their evidence bore directly on the second charge-that of quarantees with

Made His Life Miserable. Van Decarr said that Meriwether had old him that Branch had done all he ould to make his (Meriwether's) life emy; that he hated Branch, and was going to make him fight if there was any estified Meriwether had said that it was



wether, and who went to the room with him on the night of the quarrel, testified that Branch had called Meriwether a "darin fool" when he came to the room and said that he was "damn raity." By the latter Yeager explained that it was meant that he did things that the "code" did not allow for members of his class. It was explained that a fourth class man, for instance has to keen many from for instance, has to keep away from certain walks of the academy, turn certain walks of the academy, turn squarely at corners; never look at an upper closs, never talk to girls, observe certain regulations when eating, and speak most respectfully, when spoken to by an upper class man. This, it appeared, was still the unwritten law of the institution where hazing has been abolished.

Branch's Strength Greater.

Dr. Robert B. Hoyt, head of the department of physical culture at the academy, furnished some interesting data on the comparative 'size and strength of Meriwether and Branch, taken from the actual measurements of the academy. While it is a fact that Meriwether was slightly older, heavier and taller, Branch was larger of chest and arm, and his total percentage of strength was about a fifth greater than Meriwether's.

Commander Colvocoresses was closely questioned by the judge-advocate and the court in regard to the attitude of the academy authorities toward fighting. He said most emphatically that there was no Branch's Strength Greater.



MIDSHIPMAN J. S R. BRANCH, Who Died of Injuries Received in a Prearranged Fist Fight With Midshipman Minor Merlwether, Jr.

ranged to fight.
Midshipman Earl W. Pritchard, the

next witness, was the roommate of Branch, and is also from Louisiana. Meriwether had, he said, come to the room occupied by himself and Branch, accompanied by Midshipman Yeager. Meriwether accused Branch of acting unfairly towards him by using his official position as midshipman in charge of the floor to report him about the matter of a dress suit case containing civilian clothes, and charged Branch with having a grudge against him.

Vigorous Denunciations.

results of battle to one man dead from sicknoss.

This record is, according to statistics, the best made in any war up to the present time.

General Memorial Service.

(By Associated Press.)
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winking at it, but that every such of fence would be punished, if known.

Point for Mariwether. The last witness duing the morning ses ion was Midshipman Harold V. Melsittrick who acted as a second during the fight. The fight, he testified, lasted over twen-ty-two rounds of two minutes each, with one minute intermission. Early in the fight one of Branch's eyes was closed, but he was holding his own. At the end of the twentieth round, Merlwether fouled by hitting in a clinch and offered found by nitting in a clinch and offered to forfeit the fight. This Branch and his seconds would not allow, insisting on a finish. This is regarded as a strong point for Meriwether, showing that he wished the fight to stop.

Meriwether Apologizes.

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On cross-examination an effort was made to show that fights generally had the effect of abroxating the ill-feeling between the fights. The witness said that it was always the custom to have a general hand-shaking at the close of the fight, and this was done in this case. Meriwether, he said, begged the pardon of Branch for the insulting language he had used, and the apology had been accepted. Other midshipmen connected with the fight were examined, but not at such length. Midshipmena A. W. Fitch, who referred the fight, admitted serving in a like capacity at nineteen similar affairs. The evidence of Churchill Humphreys and C. W. Magruder, seconds to Branch and Meriwether, respectively, and Leiph Noyes, the Umekeeper, also corroborated the incidents told by McKittrick, Earl W. Prichard, this roommate of Branch, recalled to tell all the circumstances connected with Branch's treatment after the fight, said that Branch had been given a hot shower bath and treated with towels soaked with hot water, and applied to his head and body, Branch, he said, had complained about soreness in one arm and parts of his head, but had talked naturally about the fight and other mattern,

Prichard had noticed some movement of the leg during Branch's sleep, but had thought nothing about it. The witness retired at 2 A. M., and arose at 5:30. He then saw that Branch was unconscious, and one leg and arm land a convulsive movement. He then notified the medical authorities.

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Midshipman Prichard said that when Branch first returned to his room in his weakened condition he had suggested a drink of whiskey as a stimulant, but that Branch refused it, saying he had promised his father not to taste intoxicants until he was twenty-live years old.

To-morrow the medical officers, including Dr. J. M. Figury of Johns Healthy.

ing Dr. J. M. Finney, of Johns Hopkin University, Baltimore, who operated of Branch, will probably be called to testify OUSTED FOR HERESY:

BOSTON, November 22.—The trustees of Boston University to-night announced the appointment of Professor Hinckley Mitchell as instructor of Semitic languages and literature in the graduate school of the University. Dr. Mitchell's appointment will extend until June 5, 1906.

1906.
Recently Dr. Mitchell was removed from his chair in the theological school of the University by the board of histops of the Methodist Episcopal Church for alleged heretical Interpretation of the Scriptures.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS HERE

Mayor McCarthy Welcomes International Organization. Dr. Mitchell Speaks.

WOULD UPLIFT THE NEGRO

This is the Avowed Object of Association Composed of White and Colored.

The International Sunday School Assoclation, consisting of prominent white the North and South, and of colored men who are leaders in their race, began its convention in this city yesterday afternoon, the sessions being held at Ebenezer Baptist chunch, colored. trict of Columbia, Virginia and North Carolina, and comprise men and women tionsly seeking to know the things that will uplift the race. In this effort Northern white men and Southern white men have united and are giving their money and the value of their experience to help the negroes see the light. Many of the members of the sub-committee who man-age this work are in the city. Among them are W. N. Hartshorn, chairman of them are W. N. Hartsnorn, chairman of the International Executive Committee; Marion Lamance, general secretary, To-lede, Ohio; Hon. N. B. Broughton and other members. Nearly one hundred delegates assem-bled for the afternoon session. James E. Shepard, field superintendent of the work among nearoos, delivered the

of the work among negroes, delivered the principal address at the afternoon session.
"The salvation of the negroes depends upon the religious uplift of the race," he said. "Neither higher education, nor industrial education will of itself lift up the race. What the race needs now above all things else is moral training, and this comes through the Sunday school. It teaches moral restraint, and the negro race above all others, needs to

The night session opened with a song

The devotional exercises were conducted

by the Rev. Scott Buwell, secretary of the local Y. M. C. A.

J. E. Shepard then introduced W. P.
Burwell, president of the Richmond Sunday School Union as the presiding officer of the evening. The chairman made very appropriate romarks and then introduced Rev. W. T. Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, of this city. Rev. Johnson spoke of the choice memories which abounded everywhere in the city and the friendly feeling that existed between the races, and on account of this feeling, felt he could safely welcome the delegates to the city.

No Race Question.

At the conclusion of the address. Mayor Calton McCarthy was introduced. He spoke in part as follows:

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"In this community there is no race question. I have as warm personal friends among the colored people of Richmond as I have anywhere. I have colored men who would lay down their lives for me, my children and my wife, and who I would trust as implicitly as I would any white man from Texas to Maine. I feel very much at home in this place for two reasons. First, because it is a Baptist church; and secondly, because I am with people whom I have been familiar with all my life, and who have been my friends all my life, and who who will. I believe, be my friends as long as life lasts because we treat each other justly and kindly. The Sunday school work is the best paying work in which men can engage.

nen can engage.
"While talking this morning with a "While talking this morning with a number of men who are interested in the material development of the people, who are ambitious to make the fleid produce crop and to see the land dotted with bright, cheerful and comfortable homes—in talking with these people I said the thing which we most desire and for which we most earnestly strive In this world is the moral influences. I impressed upon those people that the moral development of the people was more important than anything else. I carnestly believe that the most certain road to success in Me is the road along religious and moral

Dr. Mitchell Speaks.

Dr. S. C. Mitchell was the next speaker. I am here to-night to express my sympathy with the object of the gathering. It is sometimes necessary for people to make charges. In Germany they live so closely and are weaked. closely and are so packed that they have to move out. Others have to move be-cause the land is so sterile and the cli-mate so severe that it becomes necessary to make some changes. These neonle are bothered with physical conditions. But that is not true of you and me.

that is not true of you and me, Marion Lawrance, general secretary of the International Sunday School Association, was introduced, Mr. Lawrance is regarded as the foremost Sunday school worker in the country. He, has been actively connected with Sunday school work as teacher and superintendent for thirty years. He gave a history of the organized Sunday school work and for what it stands.

Ills speech was full of witty sugges

Hon. N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh, ex-pressed his great delight at being con-nected with such a great movement and said he stood ready to help uplift man

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It was a great meeting and many good results are confidently expected.

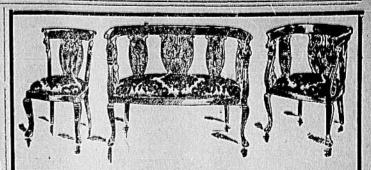
Three sessions will be held to-day.

FAVOR ABOLITION OF PHILIPPINE DUTIES

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, November 22.—The resolutions favoring abolition of American duties on Philippine products and the repeal of the new law to regulate shipping between this country and the Philippines Islands were adopted to-duly by the New York Beard of Trade.

The bourd declared itself opposed to the appointment of special agents of the United States in foreign countries with the diplomatic rank and title of commercial attache. The Department of State proposed this innovation in the American consular system and asked the New York Board of Trade's opinion thereon. In returning a negative answer the board stated that merchants who wished to enter into business relations with foreign countries would not be guided by the commercial attaches but would continue to depend on their own special representations.



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Thanksgiving

water mark in advertising and circulation as well as in excellence. The Richmond merchants are enjoying large patronage this fall, and the stores were never better stocked to supply the people's wants than they are now. Every important house in the city will be well represented in our advertising columns on Sunday. The demand for the Sunday paper was never so great as now. News dealers and others are urged to send in their orders early to insure

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